

# ARTESIA FREEWAY (ROUTE 91) HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE (HOV) LANE REHABILITATION AND LONG LIFE PAVEMENT PROJECT



Traffic fines double in construction zones.

### Background:

The Artesia Freeway (State Route 91) is one of the most heavily traveled roads in Los Angeles County, and was also one of the first freeways to offer HOV lanes. As a result, the asphalt pavement has experienced extensive wear and needs to be replaced with concrete. The new pavement will provide a smoother riding surface, with a life expectancy of at least 20 years.

### What the Work Involves:

The project involves urgently needed pavement reconstruction in the HOV lanes, which will be closed in both directions in the areas corresponding to the three phases. It also includes replacing cracked pavement in the general use lanes and median barrier replacement. Grinding and removing the damaged pavement and adding a new layer of concrete and replacing/repairing the existing median barrier.

### Benefits:

The pavement replacement project will improve safety and mobility for motorists. Also, because of the 20-year longevity of the new pavement materials, the need for future maintenance will be reduced.

### Schedule: (Revised 1/25/06)

After the completion of each stage, the HOV and mixed flow lanes will be open to traffic.

**Phase I** – Downey Avenue to Atlantic Avenue in Bellflower and Lakewood  
Start: Winter 2005  
Finish: Fall 2006

**Phase II** – Atlantic Avenue to Wilmington Avenue in Long Beach and Paramount  
Start: Fall 2006  
Finish: Summer 2007

**Phase III** – Wilmington Avenue to Vermont Avenue in Compton.  
Start: Summer 2007  
Finish: Fall 2008

NOTE: The dates shown above are subject to change depending on weather conditions and other construction variables. Caltrans advises motorists to expect delays in the area and, when possible, take alternate routes during peak commute hours.

### Estimated Costs:

Pavement repair – \$ 80 million

### Contact:

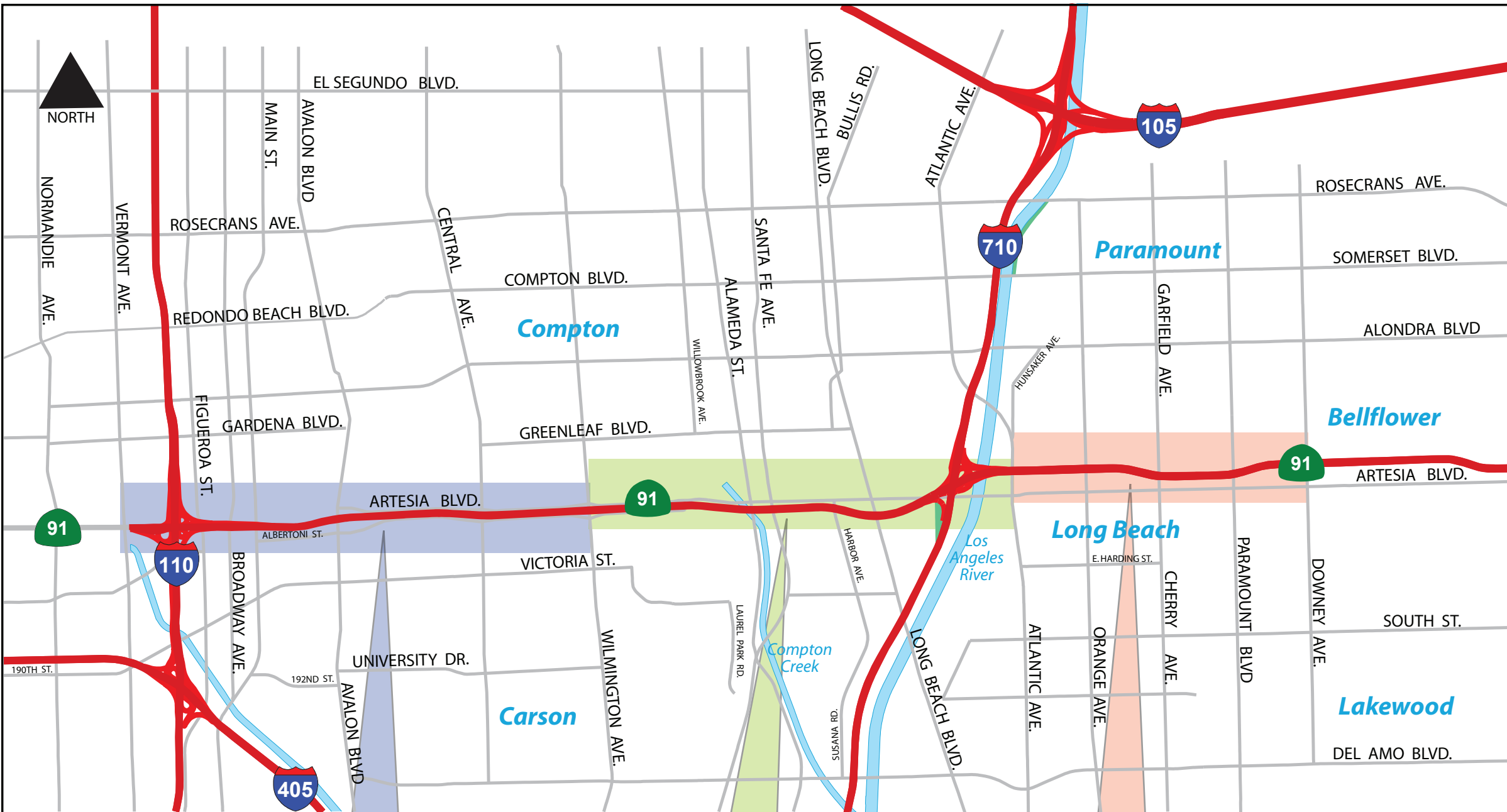
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**PHASE 3 (length 3 miles) from  
Wilmington Avenue to Vermont Avenue  
START: Summer 2007  
FINISH: Winter 2008**

**PHASE 2 (length 3 miles) from  
Atlantic Avenue to Wilmington Avenue  
START: Fall 2006  
FINISH: Summer 2007**

**PHASE 1 (length 2 miles) from  
Downey Avenue to Atlantic Avenue  
START: Winter 2005  
FINISH: Fall 2006**